#### RESOLUTION 2014-030

# A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER IN THE WEST WILDWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

WHEREAS, it has been established in Resolution 2013-021, dated February 1, 2013, that JIF, determined the borough must keep a current roster of all active firefighters, ladies auxiliary members and junior firefighters of the West Wildwood Vol. Fire Company; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of the West Wildwood Vol. Fire Company has provided copies of an additional applicant for the Borough to add to the roster; and

WHEREAS, the following new member is:

Christopher Davis, 505 W. Glenwood Avenue, West Wildwood, NJ 08260

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Wildwood, County of Cape May, New Jersey that the Borough acknowledges this member and thank him for his selfless volunteer service on behalf of all of the residents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the clerk will add this additional member to the original roster submitted on February 1, 2013.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox						Х
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		X	Х			
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	Х		Х			

I, Donna L. Frederick, RMC, Municipal Clerk for the Borough of West Wildwood in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Wildwood, New Jersey at a Regular Meeting held on March 7, 2014

#### **RESOLUTION 2014-031**

## AUTHORIZING THE AWARDING OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Borough of West Wildwood is seeking Professional Services for Special Counsel; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Louis M. Barbone, of the Law Firm of Jacobs & Barbone, P.A., a Professional Corporation, Attorneys at Law, has submitted a proposal to act as special counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, a General Retainer Agreement for Legal Services along with the terms of the representation has been submitted with an estimate of \$5,000.00 for said services for the term ending April 30, 2015.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Wildwood, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the Mayor is hereby authorized on behalf of the Borough to sign the General Retainer Agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a Certificate of Availability of Funds from the Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto in the amount of \$5,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published by the Municipal Clerk in accordance with the requirements of Law.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox						X
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		Х	Х			
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	X		Х			

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#### CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

As required by NJSA 40A:4-57, NJAC 5:30-14.5 and any other applicable requirement, I Neil Young, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of West Wildwood, NJ have ascertained that there are available sufficient uncommitted appropriations to award a contract to:

TO: JACOBS & BARBONE, P.A.

FOR: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – ATTORNEY AT LAW

**IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$5,000.00** 

Funds for Certification are therefore being made available and certified against the appropriation and/or Ordinance entitled:

AMOUNT: \$5,000.00

ACCOUNT(S) 4-01-20-155-027

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTACT: \$5,000.00

Amount Certified by this Certification: \$5,000.00

TEMPORARY BUDGET CERTIFICATION @ 25%

PERMANENT BUDGET CERTIFICATION @ 100%

CONTINGENCY CERTIFICATION: UPON ADOPTION OF FINAL BUDGET.

Date: February 13, 2014

Chief Financial Officer:

Resolution # 2014-03003/

### BOROUGH OF WEST WILDWOOD CAPE MAY COUNTY NEW JERSEY

## RESOLUTION NO. 2014-032 ASSESSMENT OF GRASS CUTTING COSTS

WHEREAS, Ordinance 434 of the Borough of West Wildwood authorizes the assessment of costs to properties associated with the elimination of certain growths, grass, materials, and/or debris as determined by the Supervisor of the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, said Supervisor has certified to the Governing Body a list of properties to be assessed with the associated costs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Wildwood, Cape May County, New Jersey that the following assessments and liens are hereby assigned to the listed properties

Block	Lot	Property Address	Amount
145	8	214 Q Avenue	\$ 448.80

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Tax Assessor and Tax Collector take the appropriate action in assigning such charges as liens to be added to and become a part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon said lands; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the associated assessments and liens shall bear the same interest at the same rate as taxes and shall be collected and enforced by the same Municipal Officers and in the same manner as taxes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to both the Municipal Tax Assessor and Municipal Tax Collector upon its adoption.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox						Χ
Commissioner Scott W. Golden			X			-
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	X		Χ			

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# BOROUGH OF WEST WILDWOOD COUNTY OF CAPE MAY

#### **RESOLUTION 2014-033**

#### APPOINTMENT OF A DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners deem it in the best interest of the Borough to appoint a Deputy Municipal Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, Ruth M. Sweeney, who is currently an employee, has agreed to serve as Deputy Municipal Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, Ruth M. Sweeney shall attend the appropriate certification classes offered by Rutgers University for this position.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Governing Body of the Borough of West Wildwood, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, hereby appoints Ruth M. Sweeney as the Deputy Municipal Tax Collector for a term expiring on December 31, 2014.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox						Х
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		Х	Х	-		
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	X		Χ			

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# BOROUGH OF WEST WILDWOOD COUNTY OF CAPE MAY

### **RESOLUTION 2014-034**

## A RESOLUTION URGING OUR U.S. HOUSE MEMBERS TO VOTE "YES" ON THE HOMEOWNER FLOOD INSURANCE AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2014, H.R. 3370 (as amended)

WHEREAS, the U.S. House of Representatives is poised to begin debate this week on the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (H.R. 3370, as amended); and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3370 was originally introduced as a companion bill to the Senate measure (S. 1926) — also known as the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014. However, the original legislative text has been replaced with completely new language. The amended bill will be considered under a procedure that will require a 2/3 majority vote to pass and does not allow for any amendments; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3370 (as amended) contains several provisions that would address county concerns:

- \*Reinstates Grandfathering: The House bill would permanently repeal Biggert-Waters' phase-out of grandfathered policies and thus would allow grandfathering of policies to continue. This means that post-FIRM properties built to code at the time of construction may have the ability to grandfather into a lower premium.
- \*Removes Sales Trigger: The house bill would discontinue the practice of fully actualizing rates at the point of sale, meaning the sales "trigger" is removed; this would ensure premium insurance rate certainty at the point of sale.
- \*Retroactively Refunds Policyholders: The House bill would retroactively refund some Pre-FIRM policyholders if they paid a higher premium under Biggert-Waters.
- \*Allows for Annual Surcharge: The House bill would institute a \$25.00 annual surcharge for all NFIP primary home policy holders and a \$250 annual surcharge on all second homes and businesses. All revenue from these surcharges goes toward the NFIP reserve fund, established to meet the future obligations of the NFIP.
- \*Requires Affordability Study and Provides Additional Funding for the Study: The House bill would increase funding for FEMA to complete an affordability study from \$750,000 (under Biggert-Waters) to \$3 million. The measure would also reaffirm that the study be completed in two years; and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of the Biggert-Waters Act of 2012 (BW-12) was to make FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which faced a deficit of \$24 billion, solvent. However, BW-12 resulted in some unintended consequences for local governments, residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, a number of the nation's 3,069 counties, both coastal and inland, have stated that

their homeowners and businesses are facing drastically increasing annual NFIP flood insurance premiums due to BW-12's phase-outs of subsidized premium rates. According to the Government Accountability Office, properties in 2,930 counties had subsidized policies as of June, 2012, and

WHEREAS, as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which oversees the NFIP program, continues to update its Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), more low-lying areas may begin to face drastic premium rate increases in the near future; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of West Wildwood supports a sustainable, fiscally responsible NFIP that protects the businesses and homeowners who built according to code and have followed all applicable laws. We also support amending BW-12 in a way that keeps flood insurance rates affordable while balancing the fiscal solvency of the program. Additionally, West Wildwood supports reinstating the grandfathering of properties (not policies) that were built to code, have maintained insurance and have not repeatedly flooded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Borough of West Wildwood, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, strongly urges our N.J. House Members in The U.S. House of Representatives to vote YES on the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (H.R. 3370, as amended).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be sent to our N.J. House Members, of the U.S. House of Representatives, for their valued consideration.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox						Х
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		Х	Х		1	
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	X		Χ			

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#### **RESOLUTION 2014-035**

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF WEST WILDWOOD TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL FROM GREEN EARTH METAL RECYCLING FOR CURBSIDE PICKUP AND REMOVAL OF RECYCLABLE METALS AND FREON CONTAINING APPLIANCES

WHEREAS, Resolution 2014-024 authorized the Borough to solicit proposals for the curbside pickup and removal of recyclable metals and Freon (CFC) containing appliances, at no cost to the Borough for said services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk made several attempts at contacting various companies for said service; and

**WHEREAS,** Green Earth Metal Recycling submitted the only proposal for the collection of such materials.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of West Wildwood, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that it is in the best interest of the Borough to accept the proposal submitted by Green Earth Metal Recycling for the curbside pickup and removal of recyclable metals and Freon (CFC) containing appliances.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to provide Green Earth Metal Recycling with a copy of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the effective term of this proposal shall be February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox						Х
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		X	Х			
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	Х	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Х			·· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

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#### **RESOLUTION 2014-036**

## AUTHORIZING A CLOSED (EXECUTIVE) SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b), it is permissible by resolution for the Governing Body to enter into a Closed (Executive) Session in order to discuss matters falling within one or more of the permitted nine exemptions; and

WHEREAS, the Borough anticipates discussion of litigation matters, which constitutes one of the permitted exemptions; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of this meeting shall remain confidential until after such time as Legal Counsel determines that the need of confidentiality no longer exists and provided that the matter(s) discussed can be legally disclosed.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of West Wildwood, Cape May County, New Jersey that a Closed (Executive) Session of the Governing Body shall be convened to discuss the aforementioned matters.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox					-	Х
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		X	Х			
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	Х		Х	·	_	

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#### **RESOLUTION 2014-037**

### A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE LEGISLATURE TO MAKE PERMANENT THE 2% CAP ON INTEREST ARBITRATION AWARDS

**WHEREAS**, on December 21, 2010, Governor Christie signed into law reforms to the Arbitration process that took effect January 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the reforms capped arbitration awards on economic factors to no more than 2%, provided for random selection of arbitrators, expedited the determination of awards, required the arbitrator to provide a written report detailing the weight accorded to each of the required considerations and expedited the appeal process; and

WHEREAS, these reforms marked a dramatic change to the arbitration process and have helped municipalities to control the never-ending rise in public safety personnel costs; and

WHEREAS, a key element of the reforms, capping arbitration awards on economic factors to no more than 2% of the property tax levy will expire on April 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, while municipalities are statutorily limited to raise their property tax levy by no more than 2%, with very limited exceptions, failure to extend the 2% cap on interest arbitration awards will force municipalities throughout the State to further reduce or even eliminate crucial services, personnel, and long-overdue infrastructure improvement projects in order to fund an arbitration award; and

WHEREAS, the 2% Interest Arbitration cap has controlled one of the largest municipal expense, public safety salaries, not only through arbitration awards but through contract negotiations; and

**WHEREAS**, absent further action by the Legislature, any contract that expires on or after April 1, 2014, will be subject to all new procedures and requirements, EXCEPT the 2% awards cap; and

WHEREAS, without those limits, arbitrators will be able to impose awards that do not account for the 2% limit on the property tax levy, which would immediately threaten funding for all other municipal services; and

WHEREAS, without the 2% cap on Interest Arbitration Awards but with the 2% cap on property tax levy local budget makers could be forced to reduce other essential municipal services to fund an arbitration award;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the governing body of the Borough of West Wildwood strongly urges the Legislature to permanently extend the 2% cap on interest arbitration awards prior to the April 1, 2014 sunset; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a that a copy of this duly adopted resolution be forwarded to Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto, the State Legislative representatives, Governor Chris Christie, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Christopher J. Fox		ĺ				Х
Commissioner Scott W. Golden		X	X			
Commissioner Cornelius J. Maxwell	X		X			

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Donna L. Frederick, RMC

Municipal Clerk